GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:330
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2001
RECOVERY OF OVERCHARGED AMOUNT FROM DRUG MANUFACTURING COMPANIES
CHANDRA NATH SINGH

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a): whether some drug manufacturing companies have charged more price for drugs than the fixed price;

(b): if so, the names of such companies and the amount to be recovered from those companies under the Drug Price Control Order, 1995;

(c): whether the Government have recovered the overcharged amount from those companies; and

(d): if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to recover the overcharged amount?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS(SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.330 TO B ANSWERED ON THE 20TH MARCH, 2001.

(a) to (d): Action against companies who have overcharged, is taken under para 13 of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995.Around 100 show cause notices have been issued to various companies and an amount of Rs.343.352 lacs on account of overcharging has been recovered from M/s. Johnson & Johnson Ltd., M/s. Glaxo (I) Ltd.M/s. E.Merck Ltd., M/s. Atra Pharmaceuticals Ltd., and M/s. Lyka Labs. Ltd.